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## NOTICE TO THE TRADE

## Removal of Small Business Set Aside for Chicken Fajita Strips

The Commodity Procurement Staff of the Agricultural Marketing Service would like to inform the industry that the 100 percent small business set aside has been removed for material number 100117, Chicken Fajita Strips- 30 lb. According to the Federal Acquisition Regulation 19.502-2(b), "The contracting officer shall set aside any acquisition over \$150,000 for small business participation when there is a reasonable expectation that (1) offers will be obtained from at least two responsible small business concerns offering the products of different small business concerns; and (2) award will be made at fair market prices." Recent findings have revealed that there are not at least two small businesses that can supply the product; therefore, the product will be procured on a full and open basis in the future.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Dianna Price via email at Dianna.Price@ams.usda.gov or by phone at (202) 720-4237.

Thank you for your interest in AMS Commodity Purchase Programs.

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